

## FISHING SCHOONER COQUETTE—AGENTS OF.

MARCH 23, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. E. B. WASHBURNE, from the Committee on Commerce, made the following

### REPORT.

*The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the petition of the agents of the fishing schooner Coquette, of Bucksport, Maine, report:*

It appears that the fishing schooner Coquette had been engaged in codfishing for a period of three months and eighteen days, when she came in collision with the ship "Amity" and was abandoned. The petitioners further state that they would have been entitled to bounty had there been not less than ten men, but as there were only nine men, including the skipper, they are precluded from receiving the benefits of the act.

The provisions of law are plain and specific, and your committee are not disposed to override them by special legislation, and have directed me to make an adverse report.

REPORT

March 22, 1871—Ordered to be printed

Mr. E. B. Washburn, from the Committee on Commerce, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the petition of the owners of the fishing schooner *Cognate*, of Newbury, Maine, report:

It appears that the fishing schooner *Cognate* had been engaged in codfishing for a period of three months and eighteen days, when she came in collision with the ship *Atany*, and was abandoned. The petitioners further state that they would have been entitled to bounty had there been not less than ten men, but as there were only nine men, including the skipper, they are precluded from receiving the benefits of the act.

The provisions of law are plain and specific, and your committee are not disposed to override them by special legislation, and have directed me to make an adverse report.